production of arcanut during 1990-91 1992-93 is given below :—

(Production '000 tonnes)

State	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Andhra Pradesh	0.2	0.2	0.1
Assam	50.5	55.5	55.3
Karnataka	93.0	95.4	94.2
Kerala	66.5	67.9	66.2
Maharashtra	2.5	2.6	2.9
Meghalaya	5.2	8.7	8.4
Mizoram	0.2	0.1	0.1
Tamil Nadu	3.9	3.4	3.6
Tripura	2.3	2.5	2.5
West Bengal	7.9	8.3	8.7
Pondicherry	0.1	0.1	0.1
Andaman Nikcobar Is.	4.7	4.8	4.8
Goa	1.5	1.5	1.5
TOTAL:	238.5	251.0	248.4

(b) The quantity and value of export of arecanut during 1990-91 to 1992-93 is given below :—

	Quantity (tonnes)	Value (Rs. in lakhs)
1990-91	355	172.77
1991-92	640	442.90
1992-93	629	451.68

(c) The arecanut is exported to U.K., Nepal, Saudi-Arabia, Singapore, etc.

(d) and (e) No virus disease has been recorded on Arecanut in Maharashtra or anywhere in India. Therefore, measures to eradicate it do not arise.

Onion Production

486. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the figures for Onion production, Statewise during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that despite even level of production the Onion prices have been rising; and

(c) what measures Government propose to take to arrest the prices of Onions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) The data on State-wise production of onion as available for the last three years is provided in the enclosed statements (*See* below).

(b) Following the shrinkage in overall supplies, the prices of onion had ruled at much higher levels in 1993. Thereafter the prices exhibited a declining trend upto May, 1994. Since June, 1994 the prices have been rising but are still ruling at lower level compared to that of last year. The price situation of onion at present is reasonable and is within the reach of the consumer.

(c) In order to arrest the rising trend in the prices of onion, the Government suspended the export of the community during October 22 November, 3, 1994.

Statement

State-wise production of onion from 1990-91 *to* 1992-93

(In 000, tonnes)

State	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93
Andhra Pradesh	176.2	172.4	152.0
Assam	11.6	12.0	12.7
Bihar	113.6	136 5	144.4
Gujarat	463.6	424.4	605.3
Haryana	39.9	48.0	64.2
Himachal Pradesh	1.6	1.4	1.4
Karnataka	333.1	522.8	477.4
Madhya Pradesh	185.2	232.4	172.5
Maharashtra	804.0	840 1	831.6
Nagaland	0.7	0	0.3
Orissa	327.1	335.0	335.0
Punjab	49.0	34.3	34.3
Rajasthan	121.9	128.7	118.5
Tamil Nadu	192.1	212.1	192.1
Tripura	0.3	0.3	0.3
Uttar Pradesh	406.0	483.3	447.3
Delhi	0.3	0.5	0 9
Pondicherry	Neg.	0.2	0.2
ALL INDIA :	3226.2	3584.7	3590.4

Neg. Negligible.

राष्ट्रीय मत्स्य आनुवंशिक संसाधन ब्यूरो का स्थानांतरण

487. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को राष्ट्रीय मत्स्य आनुवंशिक संसाधन ब्यूरो के कार्यालय को इलाहाबाद से लखनऊ स्थानांतरित किये जाने संबंधी निर्णय को रद्द करने हेतु दिनांक 26 दिसम्बर, 1994 का कोई पत्र प्राप्त हुआ है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस ब्यूरो को इलाहाबाद से स्थानांतरित किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं जबकि यह कार्यालय पिछले